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OIL PRODUCERS

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1. DURING LUNCH ON FEBRUARY 1 WITH ROBIN O'NEILL,
ASSISTANT SECRETARY, CABINET OFFICE, WE RAISED US
CONCERNS REGARDING EC PROPOSALS FOR COOPERATION WITH
OIL PRODUCING STATES ALONG THE LINES OF REFTEL A. WE
TOLD HIM THAT WE HAD MADE A FORMAL APPROACH AT THE FCO
ON THIS QUESTION ON JANUARY 31 (REF B).

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2. O'NEILL SAID THAT THE EC PERMREPS HAVE NOT YET DISCUSSED THE COMMISSION'S PROPOSALS ON EC COOPERATION AGREEMENTS WITH OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES (REF C). HE DOUBTED THAT THE EC COUNCIL WOULD DISCUSS THEM AT ITS FEBRUARY 4-5 MEETING, SINCE IT WOULD BE FULLY PRE-OCCUPIED WITH PREPARATIONS FOR THE WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE. O'NEILL POINTED OUT THAT MEMBER STATE VIEWS ON COOPERATION WITH OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES DIVERGE WIDELY, AND HE BELIEVES THAT COUNCIL CONSIDERATION OF THIS QUESTION WILL MOVE SLOWLY.

3. O'NEILL HAD NOTHING TO ADD TO BRAITHWAITE'S REMARKS ON THE TIMING OF A DECISION ON AN EC POLITICAL DIALOGUE WITH THE ARABS (REF B). O'NEILL IS NOT DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN EC POLITICAL COOPERATION ACTIVITY. ANNENBERG

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